# OREGON CASCADES WEST COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS TRI-COUNTY HIGHWAY TASK FORCE

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

for

# **REGIONAL HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS**

for inclusion in the

# STATE SIX-YEAR TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FY 1995-2000

### A1 PROJECTS

All of the following projects are considered to be "most important" projects for the region. The Task Force feels that the entire list of projects must be included in the TIP according to the years listed.

Route	County	Project	Cost (\$1,000's)	Status
OR-228	Linn	Halsey - Brownsville M.P. 0.3-6.4	7,146	1994 Final Plans
OR-99E	Linn	Pacific Boulevard - 9th St. Couplet (Albany) M.P. 1.2-2.1	10,203	1995 Construction
OR-34	Benton	Willamette River (VanBuren) Bridge	8,305	1995 Construction
US-20	Benton	Woods Creek Road - Philomath M.P. 47.9-49.7	2,837	1996 Construction
US-20	Lincoln	Eddyville - Cline Hill M.P. 24.7-29.4	18,828	1996 Construction
US-20	Lincoln	Pioneer Mountain - Eddyville M.P. 14.5-24.7	50,161	1996 Right of Way
US-20	Benton	53rd St Neer St Corvallis M.P. 53.4 - 54.3	4,486	1996 Final Plans
OR-34	Linn	Pacific Highway - Main Street (Lebanon) M.P. 10.2-18.1	10,000	1997 Final EIS
US-20	Benton	19th Street (Philomath) - 53rd Street (Corvallis) M.P. 51.0-53.4	13,146	1998 Construction

The following two projects were included on the "most important" list of projects and the Task Force feels they should be placed in Development as soon as possible, but no later than Final Plans in 1999. The consensus of the Task Force is that no Cascades West region project in the current TIP should be dropped as a result of adding these two projects.

US-20	Benton	Alsea Hwy Newton Creek M.P. 49.8-51.3	4,221	1999 Final Plans
US-101	Lincoln	Lincoln City Gaps	unknown	1999 Final Plans

The Task Force also feels that all of the above projects listed in the Development section of the TIP should proceed to the Construction phase as soon as possible after the completion of final plans. If it is possible to begin work on any of the above projects sooner than proposed/scheduled, the Task Force strongly supports advancing projects on the schedule.

## **A2 PROJECTS**

All of the following projects are very important to the region and will have significant effects on the safety and economy of the region. The Task Force feels that each of the projects be should included in the TIP as additional resources become available.

Route	County	Project	Cost (\$1,000's)	
•	Benton	Corvallis - Rehab existing signals on State routes	300	
	Linn Benton Lincoln	Regionwide Transportation Demand Management Project		
OR-99E	Linn	Harrisburg - construct turn lane on 99E near Northern approach to Willamette River bridge		

## **B PROJECTS**

The following projects are important to the region and the Task Force feels that ODOT should consider each of the projects for inclusion in the TIP if possible.

Route	County	Project	Cost (\$1,000's)	
	Linn	Lebanon - upgrade signals for emergency vehicle override	80	
OR-34	Linn	Tangent - expand scope of current Reconnaissance project (OR-34: Willamette River - Albany/Junction City Hwy.) to include roadway east of Albany/Junction City Hwy. to I-5.	*	
99W	Benton	Corvallis - widen OR-99W to 4 lanes from Elks Dr. to the railroad overpass	•	

The above recommendations were made with the assumption that all Cascades West region projects in the current TIP that are scheduled for 1993 or 1994 construction will proceed as scheduled. We support that schedule and urge ODOT to maintain progress on those projects.